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SUBJECT: PHILIPPINES CUSTOMS DUTIES - CONGRESSIONAL
INQUIRY

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED FROM SENATOR BUCKLEY'S OFFICE A LETTER TO HIM BY HENRY STERN & CO, EXPORTER OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT CONCERNING PROBLEM WITH PHILIPPINE CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES. APPARENTLY LATTER HAVE REFUSED TO ACCEPT INVOICE PRICES ON SHIPMENTS BY STERN TO PHILIPPINES THROUGH PHILIPPINE-AMERICAN IMPORT CO, 120 LIGAYA ST, CALOOCAN CITY, (CORRESPONDENT - CLARO L. JORGE). AUTHORITIES EVIDENTLY INSIST ON USING PRICE LISTS TRANSMITTED THROUGH PHIL. CONGEN IN NEW YORK, AND ARE ASSESSING FINES ALLEGING FALSE INVOICING. STERN CLAIMS LISTS DO NOT REPRESENT SUBSTANTIAL DISCOUNTS GIVEN TO MOST CUSTOMERS, AND ARGUES THAT LISTS SHOWING THESE DISCOUNTS, WHICH VARY WIDELY, CANNOT BE PROVIDED TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS. HE ASKS THAT STATE DEPARTMENT PROTEST THIS MATTER TO GOP, AS "DISCRIMINATORY."

2. THIS CASE ORIGINALLY DISCUSSED IN WILLNER-ARNOLD LETTER OF JULY 15. IN VIEW URGENCY NOW ESTABLISHED BY CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY, WOULD APPRECIATE EARLIEST TELEGRAPHIC RESPONSE INDICATING WHAT MEASURES APPEAR AVAILABLE TO RESOLVE THIS
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PROBLEM, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND IS NOT UNIQUE. EMBASSY

SHOULD ALSO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS IT BELIEVES HELPFUL AND
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